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FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF STATEMENT ISSUED BY DEPT SPOKESMAN AT
NOON BRIEFING APRIL 6. TRANSCRIPT OF FURTHER EXCHANGE WILL
FOLLOW:

Q: WHAT IS THE USG'S ATTITUDE TOWARD THE WESTERN EUROPEAN
COMMUNIST PARTIES?

A: WE BELIEVE THAT THE POSITION OF A COMMUNIST PARTY IN A
PARTICULAR COUNTRY IS A MATTER TO BE DECIDED BY THE PEOPLE
AND GOVERNMENT OF THE COUNTRY CONCERNED. WE DO NOT PROPOSE
TO INVOLVE OURSELVES IN THE PROCESSES BY WHICH THEY REACH
THEIR DECISIONS ON IT.

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THIS DOES NOT MEAN THAT OUR ATTITUDE IS ONE OF INDIFFERENCE.
WE ATTACH GREAT IMPORTANCE TO OUR ABILITY TO WORK WITH THE
COUNTRIES OF WESTERN EUROPE ON MATTERS OF VITAL INTEREST.
OUR ABILITY TO DO SO COULD BE IMPAIRED IF THESE GOVERNMENTS
CAME TO BE DOMINATED BY POLITICAL PARTIES WHOSE PARTICULAR
TRADITIONS, VALUES AND PRACTICES ARE ALIEN TO THE FUNDA-

MENTAL DEMOCRATIC PRINCIPLES AND COMMON INTERESTS ON WHICH
OUR RELATIONS WITH WESTERN EUROPE ARE BASED.
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